

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**April 11, 2003**

**IN RE:**

**GENERIC DOCKET ADDRESSING  
RURAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE**

**DOCKET NO.  
00-00523**

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**ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION**

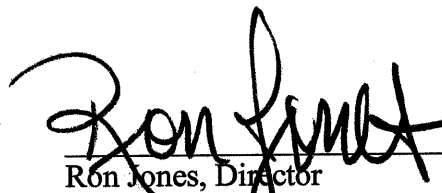
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This docket came before the Pre-Hearing Officer to consider a request from BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") to extend the deadline for filing a response to the *Petition for Emergency Relief and Request for Standstill Order by the Tennessee Rural Independent Coalition* filed on April 3, 2003.

In a notice issued on April 10, 2003, the Pre-Hearing Officer required that any response to the Tennessee Rural Independent Coalition's petition be filed by April 14, 2003. BellSouth filed a letter on April 11, 2003 requesting a one day extension of this deadline. The Pre-Hearing Officer finds that no prejudice will result from granting this request.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

The request of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to extend the time for filing a response to the *Petition for Emergency Relief and Request for Standstill Order by the Tennessee Rural Independent Coalition* from Monday, April 14, 2003 to Tuesday, April 15, 2003 is granted.

  
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Ron Jones, Director  
as Pre-Hearing Officer